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Coach John Carroll

A college and NBA coach, John Carroll has been coaching for over 30 years. He began his career coaching the University of Delaware junior varsity team. He then coached at Bloomfield State College, becoming one of the youngest head college basketball coaches in the country. Assisting P.J. Carlesimo, Carroll began a seven-year stint at Seton Hall University which culminated with Seton Hall playing Michigan for the 1989 Final Four NCAA Championship. Carroll then accepted the head coach position at Duquesne University where he was voted the Atlantic 10 Coach of the Year.

Transitioning to the NBA, Carroll worked for the Portland Trail Blazers and the Orlando Magic before coming to Boston to work with Celtics Head Coach Rick Pitino. Coach Carroll became the head coach of the Celtics during the 2003-4 season, and led the team into the playoffs.

On hiatus from full-time coaching, Carroll is currently covering basketball for ESPN. He also works with AAU basketball players and potential NBA draft picks to improve their skills and knowledge of the game. In addition to speaking at his All-Star camps, Coach Carroll speaks regularly at elite camps across the country, including the NBA Players' Camp, the Hoop Group's Eastern Invitational camps and Bob Hurley's Basketball School.